

## NEWTON Fire Department



### the Law

In the City of Newton, firework sales are **NOT ALLOWED WITHOUT A PERMIT.**

- The fireworks law in North Carolina is essentially a "zero tolerance" law which prohibits everything except display and consumer fireworks.
- The State of North Carolina and the City of Newton specifically outlaws possession and use of fire crackers, ground spinners, roman candles, rockets (including bottle rockets), mortars, and the like.
- In general, sparklers, fountains, and novelty fireworks that do not have a report (explode) or are not intended to leave the ground and fly through the air are permissible for use in North Carolina.
- To sale Consumer Fireworks, you must first obtain a permit from the City of Newton Fire Department Fire Prevention Bureau.



- A seven day sales permit is \$225. A twenty-one day sales permit is \$450.

- Anyone holding a business license can sell Consumer Fireworks in North Carolina and the City of Newton without a fireworks permit.

- Fireworks are often sold from tents or other membrane structures. The tents must meet requirements of the Fire Prevention Code Chapter 39.

- **Bringing in fireworks from other states is illegal. Use or possession of fireworks is a Class 2 misdemeanor, subject to a fine of up to \$500 and / or six months in jail.**

- Only those people with special licenses are allowed to use Display Fireworks.

- The Permit for Display Fireworks is \$150 per event.



For more information about fireworks & the law, call the:

Newton Fire Department

**828 695-4284**

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